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- Whereas, Efforts to increase awareness regarding health issues which affect residents of the State of Wisconsin merit the support of the Wisconsin State Assembly; and
- Whereas, Attendant to such concern and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, it is the sense of the Wisconsin State Assembly to call attention to the serious medical condition of Adhesion Related Disorder (ARD), which afflicts many citizens of this great State; and
- Whereas, Adhesions are internal scars that frequently occur after surgery and can grow to connect internal organs not normally connected leading to chronic pain, recurrent bowel obstruction and infertility; and
- Whereas, In extreme cases some patients have had to endure over twenty operation to remove adhesions because of the propensity for regrowth of scar tissue; and
- Whereas, ARD may become so severe that patients are unable to work; obtaining health care or disability insurance is difficult; family life is devastated; and the emotional health of Adhesion sufferers is severely affected leading to life-threatening depression and isolation; and
- Whereas, Hospital admissions for ARD number over 300,000 per year, rivaling those for heart bypass, appendix and other common operations yet the awareness of this serious condition is relatively low; and
- Whereas, The lack of awareness about adhesions and ARD means that many doctors do not understand the condition and are unable to treat adhesions, insurance companies are unwilling to pay for treatment, and patients' efforts to get well are continually frustrated; and
- Whereas, The International Adhesion Society (IAS) was formed in 1996 to promote awareness about adhesions, to provide support to patients and information to medical professionals, and to encourage research into adhesions and their prevention; and
- Whereas, In recognition of the debilitating effects ARD has had on those afflicted, it is incumbent upon the citizens of the State of Wisconsin to support the courageous individuals living and coping with this painful condition; now, therefore, be it



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2001 ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION

1 **Relating to:** urging increased awareness of Adhesion Related Disorder.

2 Whereas, efforts to increase awareness regarding health issues that affect
3 residents of the ~~State~~ of Wisconsin merit the support of the Wisconsin ~~State~~
4 ~~Assembly~~; and

5 Whereas, it is important to call attention to the serious medical condition of
6 ~~Adhesion Related Disorder~~ (ARD), which afflicts many residents of this great ~~State~~;
7 and

8 Whereas, adhesions are internal scars that frequently occur after surgery and
9 can grow to connect internal organs not normally connected leading to chronic pain,
10 recurrent bowel obstruction, and infertility; and

11 Whereas, in extreme cases, some patients have had to endure over 20 operations
12 to remove adhesions because of the propensity for regrowth of scar tissue; and

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14 ~~obtaining~~ health care or disability insurance is difficult; ^{to obtain} family life is devastated; and

1 the emotional health of ARD sufferers is severely affected, leading to life-threatening
2 depression and isolation; and

3 Whereas, hospital admissions for ARD number over 300,000 per year, rivaling
4 those for heart bypass, appendectomy, and other common operations, yet the
5 awareness of this serious condition is relatively low; and

6 Whereas, the lack of awareness about adhesions and ARD means that many
7 doctors do not understand the condition and are unable to treat adhesions, that
8 insurance companies are unwilling to pay for treatment, and that patients' efforts
9 to get well are continually frustrated; and

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11 promote awareness about adhesions, to provide support to patients and information
12 to medical professionals, and to encourage research into adhesions and their
13 prevention; and

14 Whereas, in recognition of the debilitating effects ARD has had on those
15 afflicted, it is incumbent upon the residents of this state to support the courageous
16 individuals living and coping with this painful condition; now, therefore, be it ✓

17 **Resolved by the assembly, That** the members of the Wisconsin assembly
18 encourage the residents of this state to support the courageous individuals living and
19 coping with ARD; and, be it further ✓

20 **Resolved, That** the assembly chief clerk shall transmit copies of this
21 resolution to the International Adhesion Society and to the ✓ Wisconsin Medical
22 Society.

23 (END)



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21 resolution to the International Adhesion Society, and ~~to~~ the Wisconsin Medical
22 Society.

23 (END)

Beverly Doucette, ~~secretary~~

Resolved by the assembly, That the members of the Wisconsin assembly
hereby recognize ~~Alzheimer Related Disorder~~, promote
awareness of this debilitating condition, and support further
research leading to advancements in the treatment of this
disorder and, be it further

Resolved, That the assembly chief clerk shall provide copies of this
resolution to Beverly Doucette and to the International
Adhesion Society.



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MEMORANDUM

To: Representative Gard

From: Attorney Peter J. Dykman, General Counsel

Re: LRB-3838/1 Adhesion Related Disorder (ARD)

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